



THE KIDDERMINSTER EAST PARISH NEWSLETTER

Churches of St Cassian's, St Cecilia's,
St Chad's, St George's & St Mary's Stone

12th January 2020

BAPTISM OF CHRIST

A warm welcome to our services

COLLECT

Heavenly Father,
at the Jordan you revealed
Jesus as your Son: may we
recognize him as our Lord
and know ourselves to be
your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our
Saviour.

READINGS

Isaiah 42: 1 – 9
Acts 10: 34 – 43
Matthew 3: 13 – end

SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY

ST CASSIAN'S

9:30am

Worship for All preceded by breakfast
from 8:30am

ST CECILIA'S

11:00am

Morning Worship

ST CHAD'S

9:30am

Holy Communion preceded by
listening prayer in 'the Barrel' @ 9:00am

ST MARY'S, STONE

11:00am

Holy Communion

ST GEORGE'S

8:00am

Holy Communion

11:00am

Holy Communion

6:30pm

Evening Prayer

Parish Messy Church

Join us on **Saturday 18th January** at
St Cecilia's Church, Hoo Road, 4:00 – 6:00pm

Craft – Activities – Food – Fun for all the family

Can You Help? We need volunteers to help out with activities on the day.

Or are you able to come about 5:45pm to help with washing up?

Also, does anyone have any boxes suitable to be made into armour?

Please contact the Parish Office (01562 822131/office@kidderminstereast.org.uk)

with all your offers of help. Thank you.



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18th - 25th January

There are two events organised by Churches Together in Kidderminster. Please try to support these events especially as one of them is in the parish.

- **Service of Vespers** with a Church Unity theme at St Ambrose R.C. Church, Birmingham Road, 7:30 - 8:15pm on **Thursday 23rd January**, with address by Rev. Prebendary Stephen Thomas, followed by refreshments.
- An **Evening of Prayer and Worship** at St Cecilia's Church, Hoo Road, on **Saturday 25th January**, 7:00 – 9:00pm.

Share & Care in Chaddesley Corbett

Monday 20th January 10:30am – 12:00pm

Ladies, we would love to see you for a coffee and a chat at Beth's house. Lifts available.

For more information please contact
Beth (777136) or Susie (777419)

Homegroups restart this week



If you wish to join a homegroup please contact Rev. Robert Legge or the parish office

Stone Corner Café

2nd Wednesday of each month in the Stone Parish Rooms
2:00 – 4:00pm

Parish Prayer

Parish Prayer restarts on **Wednesday 22nd January** at St Chad's, Burcher Green. Please do come along to pray for the work of Christ in this parish, particularly at this time of vacancy, and further afield. Everyone in the parish is encouraged to attend.

Compassion Child Sponsorship - new Co-ordinator is being sought

As a parish we continue to support 12 Children worldwide via the Compassion UK Sponsorship Scheme. I have managed the parish scheme for nearly 20 years and, latterly, I have not been able to give it the focus it deserves. In view of this, I feel the time has come to hand this work over to someone else. I am more than happy to explain what is involved in managing the contact we have with "our Compassion children" and the financial contributions. I can be reached at the Parish Office (01562 822131/office@kidderminstereast.org.uk) or at St Chad's. It is a rewarding task so please give it your best consideration. Many thanks. *Karen Morton*

Tea Dance at St George's, Radford Avenue

Monday 27th January, 2:00 - 4:00pm.

Tickets are £5.00 each,
to include tea and cakes.

Tickets can be obtained from
Jan Ferguson (07801 118214)
or Lynn Towler.



Tuesday Afternoon Prayer at St. George's will resume this week on **January 14th** at 12:00pm – 12:30pm

Young at Heart: Next meeting will be on **Wednesday 15th January** at St Cecilia's Church, 2-4pm. Margaret Mandrell will speak to us about her experiences in Nepal.

Kidderminster East Youth (K.E.Y.) our next meeting will be **Sunday 19th January** at St Chad's Church, 6:00pm - 7:30pm.

Open Conversations: The Bishop's Council is examining the future of ministry (clergy and lay) across the diocese and is also reviewing the basis on which Parish Share is calculated. As part of this it is proposed to have "Open Conversations" events to enable as wide a cross section as possible of worshippers to express a view.

Dates and venues of these are:

- Tues 14th Jan 2020, 10–12.30pm Pershore Town Hall
- Tues 14th Jan 2020, 7 – 9.15pm Welland Parish Hall
- Mon 20th Jan 2020, 2 - 4.30pm St John the Evangelist, Kates Hill, Dudley
- Mon 20th Jan 2020, 7 – 9.15pm St John the Evangelist, Kates Hill, Dudley
- Thurs 30th Jan 2020, 2 – 4.30pm The Old Palace, Worcester
- Tues 4th Feb 2020, 2 – 4.30pm Catshill Social Club, Bromsgrove
- Tues 4th Feb 2020, 7 – 9.15pm Trinity Methodist Church, Kidderminster

Please try to attend one if you can. Everyone is welcome to attend. Church Wardens, DCC and PCC members are strongly encouraged to take part. To find out more information and to book your place please go to: www.cofe-worcester.org.uk and search for Open Conversations. Alternatively, please contact the Parish Office.

Quiz Night and Supper at St George's Church, Radford Avenue, **Tuesday 3rd March**, 6.45 for 7.00 pm. Teams of up to six. Tickets £10 each to include supper (fish & chips/chicken & chips/pie & chips). To book your place please call Jan Ferguson on 01562 630431 or email jferg541@gmail.com

Quiet Days at Holland House: Tues 18th Feb, 10am "Awareness of the Presence" with Graham Pharo. Cost £40 including lunch & refreshments. **Mon 24th February** "Lent Quiet Day" 10am - 4pm with Bishop Michael Hooper. Cost £30 including lunch & refreshments. Both these events can be booked online at www.hollandhouse.org

Requests for Prayer:

- Please pray for everyone affected by the bush fires in Australia, especially family and friends of parishioners, and for the firefighters.
- Pray for our representatives on the DCC and PCC committees as we start a new year and look to the future of the parish.
- Please continue to pray for the Rector Vacancy situation; that we may be able to bring you good news soon.
- For those involved with the Marriage Preparation course, especially those couples who have volunteered their time, and for those attending.
- For all homegroups as they start the new year; may the Holy Spirit guide them.

*Would you like to be included in the Parish Newsletter for prayer?
Please contact the Parish Office for more details.*

DIARY PAGE

COFFEE SPOT: CAFÉ CHAD open every **Mon & Weds** 9:15am–12:30pm

ST GEORGE'S COFFEE SHOP open every **Friday** from 10am to 12noon.

MEET AND EAT: Every Monday at 5pm in Morrisons Café



HOMEGROUPS MEET THIS WEEK Please ask for details.



MONDAY 13TH JANUARY

Marriage Preparation @ St Cecilia's 7:00pm

TUESDAY 14TH JANUARY

Tuesday Group 10am @ St Chad's
 St George's Toddlers 10am – 11:30am
 Parish Afternoon Prayer 12 – 12:30pm @
 St George's

WEDNESDAY 15TH JANUARY

Holy Communion 10:15am @St George's
 Knit & Natter 2 – 4pm @ St George's
 Young at Heart 2 – 4pm @ St Cecilia's

FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY

Babies & Toddlers 10 – 11:30am @ St Chad's

SUNDAY 19TH JANUARY

St George's

11:00am Worship for All + Baptisms

6:30pm Evening Prayer

St Mary's Stone

8:00am Holy Communion

11:00am Morning Worship

St Cassian's

9:30am Holy Communion

St Cecilia's

11:00am Holy Communion

St Chad's

9:30am Morning Worship

READINGS: Isaiah 49: 1 – 7 Corinthians 1: 1 – 9 John 1: 29 - 42

SUNDAY 26TH JANUARY

St George's

11:00am Holy Communion

6:30pm Evening Prayer

St Cassian's

9:30am Morning Worship
 + Baptisms

St Mary's Stone

11:00am Morning Worship

St Cecilia's

11:00am Worship for All

St Chad's

9:30am Holy Communion preceded
 by listening prayer in 'the Barrel' @ 9:00am

There is NO 8:00am Holy Communion Service this week

READINGS: Isaiah 9: 1 – 4 Corinthians 1: 10 – 18 Matthew 4: 12 – 23

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